

Remarks

Claims 43-62 were previously allowed.

The Office Action of March 10, 2005 stated that claim 66 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim (claim 63) and any intervening claims. Claim 63 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 66 as well as the limitations of the intervening claims (claims 64 and 65) and is thus in condition for allowance. Claim 66 has thus been canceled.

Claims 64, 65, and 67 have also been canceled. The applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a continuation of the present application.

The present response is being submitted within the two-month period for response to the Final Office Action. No fees are believed due. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee deemed necessary, except the issue fee, to deposit account number 16-0228.

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Respectfully submitted,



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